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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the document listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of this document, together with a complete English-language translation thereof, is enclosed.

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This document was cited during prosecution of a Japanese patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application.

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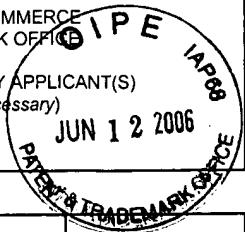
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